

One of the Finest Things In Life Is a Fad Or a Theory If You Will Use It On Yourself. Forcing It On Others Is What Raises Hell

RETAIL PRICES
Investigation Ordered by Attorney General.
Washington, Dec. 23.—Investigation of retail prices of food, fuel, shoes and clothing in all parts of the country was ordered yesterday by Attorney General Daugherty.
Mr. Daugherty said that in many localities prices are too high and retailers' profits are "unconscionable" and that every effort would be made to put retail prices on the proper level.
Mr. Daugherty instructed Director

Burns of the Bureau of Investigation of the Justice Department to assign men as soon as possible to various parts of the country simultaneously to collect information upon current retail prices of food, fuel, shoes and clothing and at the same time to report the wholesale prices of corn, wheat, beef, muttons of all kinds and on the hoof in order that comparisons might be made of the retail and wholesale prices of food.
In many parts of the country, Mr. Daugherty declared, retailers have organizations which tend to keep prices high and he intended to go after them.
Results of the department's investigation, Mr. Daugherty said, would be used in an effort to bring down retail prices where they were too high. Prices, he said, would never go down to their pre-war level, but they could be brought into the proper relation with reduced wages and reduced costs of foodstuffs.
Publication of comparative prices in different localities, he asserted, would do much to right the situation and he said it was planned to present the data gathered to the various states for local action with the co-operation of the federal government where necessary. Also, he added, he would probably ask the assistance of Secretary Hoover.

TAKING ON MORE MEN.
Walter A. Wood Company at Hoosick Falls Adds Workers.
The working force in the plant of the Walter A. Wood Company is today double that of what it has been for the past several weeks, and indications are that additional men will be called in as fast as work comes through for them to handle. The company's grey iron foundry has been in operation for some time, with molders, helpers, cupola men, laborers and sand cutters at work, additional men being taken in from time to time in the foundry. In connection with the foundry operations, the barling department and scratch shop are also active.
Several men are engaged in getting out the work for the cutting apparatus, including such parts as sections, lever plates, guards and so on, this work being done in the punch section, grinding, hardening and cutter bar departments. Other men are employed in the punch and shears departments, in the blacksmith shop, machine shop, binder room, tool room, extra room, repairs department and in the yards.
A considerable addition to the working force will be called into the plant as the material comes through from the grey iron foundry. Their work will include the machining and other preparatory operations required before the assembling of machines begins. After the machines have been assembled, painters will be called in and after the painting has been done the packers will find employment.
As soon as the company begins to make shipments, the services of men in the shipping department will be required.
The news that the Wood Company's plant is resuming operations, even on a limited scale, is in a way about one of the most welcome announcements that could come to the people of Hoosick Falls in Christmas week. The company has refrained from making any statements as to the extent of the business it will do this season, but the fact that a start is being made on the production of the concern's product gives rise to the hope by all residents that the season will be much longer than is now expected.—Hoosick Falls Press.

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ACTION ON FORD RATES.
Disallowed By the Interstate Commerce Commission.
Washington, Dec. 23.—Henry Ford's attempt to reduce freight rates on coal twenty per cent, along the line of his railroad, the Detroit, Toledo and Iron- ton, was disallowed yesterday by the Interstate Commerce Commission.
The Commission based its action on the ground that the reduction would constitute a discrimination against other mining territory, the coal product of which is sold in Toledo, Detroit and other cities along the Ford railroad.
The Detroit, Toledo and Iron-ton is financially able to make the reduction, the Commission said, but "a proper rate relationship between competitive groups, particularly on such a commodity as coal, is in many respects of greater importance to the shipping public than the measure of the rate itself."
If the proposed reduction were allowed to stand, the Commission said, competing lines in southern Ohio, not located on the Detroit, Toledo and Iron-ton, would be unable to continue operation and mines in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee would also be affected by undue preference involved in the lower Ford rates.
The proposed rate cut disallowed under yesterday's ruling is the first to which the Commission has not agreed, it having sanctioned all other reductions in interstate rates on the Detroit, Toledo and Iron-ton suggested by Mr. Ford since he obtained control of the carrier.

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Tomorrow Alright
Get a 25¢ Box
QUINLAN'S PHARMACY

DRINK and ENJOY

LIPTON'S TEA
Largest Sale in the World

HELD IN \$2,000 BAIL
Men Caught in Bakersfield Rum-Running Released from Jail.
St. Albans, Dec. 23.—John Meillon and Cecil Simpson of Boston, who were placed under arrest at Bakersfield Saturday evening, December 10, after the car they were driving had been searched and a large quantity of liquor found, were released from Franklin county jail Wednesday morning. They furnished bail of \$2,000 to appear when summoned.

Explaining a Home Problem.
When a woman gets a husband who can't save a board straight she gets to be a pretty fair carpenter herself.—Jewell (Kan.) Republican.
Quit Tobacco
So easy to drop Cigarette, Cigar, or Chewing Habit
No-To-Bac has helped thousands to break the costly, nerve-shattering tobacco habit. Whenever you have a longing for a smoke or chew, just place a harmless No-To-Bac tablet in your mouth instead. All desire stops. Shortly the habit is completely broken, and you are better off mentally, physically, financially. It's so easy, so simple. Get a box of No-To-Bac and if it doesn't release you from all craving for tobacco in any form, your druggist will refund your money without question.—Advertisement.

STARTS MUCH SICKNESS
A clogging mass of undigested food that remains fermenting in the stomach or intestines sends the poisons it develops through the entire human body. "Keep the bowels open," is one rule of health recognized by all schools of medicine. Foley Cathartic Tablets cleanse the bowels, sweeten the stomach and benefit the liver. For indigestion, biliousness, bad breath, bloating, gas or constipation, no remedy is more highly recommended. No griping or nausea.
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Peterson's Quality Market
Tel. 337-M Mill and River Sts.
Turkeys Lb. 68c
Chickens, Fancy Native Birds Lb. 50c
Leg of Spring Lamb Lb. 35c
Fruits and Vegetables
Prime Rib Roast Lb. 25c
Fresh Supply of Extra Select Oysters at 75c a Quart
This Store Will Be Closed All Day Monday, December 26

Only a Few Days More to Christmas

JUST A REMINDER THAT WE HAVE STILL A VERY LARGE SELECTION OF GIFTS TO CHOOSE FROM AND IT WILL WELL-PAY YOU TO STEP INTO THE STORE AND SEE FOR YOURSELF THE GREAT SAVINGS ON EACH ITEM. REMEMBER EVERY ONE OF THESE ITEMS IS PRACTICAL AND USEFUL GIFTS. THESE ARE ONLY A FEW OF THE MANY ITEMS WE HAVE THAT ARE USEFUL.

Ladies' Comfort Slippers 98c and up	Men's Cotton Socks, 2 pairs 25c
Children's Comfort Slippers 79c and up	Men's Sweaters \$1.29 and up
Men's House Slippers \$1.59 and up	Men's Union Suits 95c and up
Ladies' Pocketbooks \$1.69 and up	Children's Union Suits 85c and up
Ladies' Silk Camisoles 69c and up	Women's Cardigan Sweaters \$1.79
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, box 35c and up	Children's Night Gowns 59c and up
Ladies' Silk Bloomers \$1.19	Girls' Angora Tams 98c
Men's Domet Pajamas, heavy \$1.79	Corset Covers 45c and up
Children's Windsor Flannel Billy Burkes Night Suits \$1.29	Suit Cases \$2.98
Silk and Crepe-de-Chine Boudoir Caps 98c	Belts 49c
Men's Ties in boxes 59c and up	Men's Night Shirts 98c and up
Boys' Percalé Blouses 45c and up	House Dresses \$1.00
Ladies' and Men's Umbrellas \$1.49	Sateen Flowered Petticoats 98c
Children's Hats 69c and up	Children's Petticoats 59c
Boys' Sweaters \$1.59 and up	"Kersey Cloth" Spats \$1.29
Baby's Bath Robes \$1.19 and up	Men's Handkerchiefs 5c and up
Baby's Sweaters \$1.50 and up	Genuine Leather Hand Bags \$5.00
Baby's Sweater Sets \$2.48	Baby's Wool Bonnets \$1.25
Baby's Elderdown Carriage Robes \$2.25	Boys' Dress Shirts 95c
Boys' Flannel Blouses 69c and up	Ladies' Muslin Night Gowns 59c and up
Men's Suspender and Garter Sets \$1.00	Men's Gloves 19c and up
Men's Silk Arm Bands 65c	Embroidered and Hemstitched Pillow Cases 43c
Men's Mercerized Lisle Socks 35c	Kum-A-Part Cuff Buttons 25c
Ladies' Silk Stockings 98c and up	Infants' Shoes 65c
Ladies' Wool Stockings 69c	Baby's Dress Shoes \$2.25 and up
Boys' and Girls' Stockings 19c and up	Girls' Shoes \$2.10 and up
Men's Traveling Bags \$1.98 and up	Growing Girls' Shoes, sizes 2 1/2 to 8 \$2.63
Boys' Pajamas \$1.09 and up	Boys' Hi-Cut Storm Shoes \$2.98 and up
Ladies' Flannel Night Gowns 98c and up	Girls' Hi-Cut Storm Shoes \$3.45 and up
Men's Flannel Shirts \$1.00 and up	Ladies' Black High Shoes \$3.19 and up
Children's Sleeping Garments 69c	Men's Brown Dress Shoes \$2.98 and up
Blankets \$1.19 and up	Men's Work Shoes \$2.49 and up
Men's Dress Shirts \$1.00 and up	Ladies' 4-Buckle Arctics 65c
Baby Blankets 75c and up	Children's 2-Buckle Arctics 65c
Men's Army Wool Shirts \$3.98	Men's 4-Buckle Dress Arctics 65c
Boys' Mittens 19c and up	Men's 14 inch Hi-Cut Storm Shoes \$5.85
Women's Gauntlet Gloves \$1.19	Men's 16-inch Leather Top Rubbers \$5.00
Men's and Boys' Caps 59c and up	Children's Rubbers 33c and up
Men's Cashmere Socks 32c	Children's Rubber Boots 33c and up

Timely Suggestions

WE ARE EVER READY TO LOOK OUT FOR THE NEEDS OF THE PEOPLE OF BENNINGTON AND THIS YEAR IS NO EXCEPTION. FROM THE VERY BEGINNING OF OUR BUSINESS WE HAVE LAID GREAT STRESS ON COURTESY TO OUR CUSTOMERS. IT SEEMS THAT OUR PEOPLE APPRECIATE BEING TREATED WITH POLITENESS. WE DO NOT DESIRE MUCH CREDIT FOR BEING NICE TO OUR CUSTOMERS FOR IT SEEMS WE HAVE THE VERY BEST CLASS OF TRADE THAT ANY STORE IN THE CITY EVER HAD, AND BEING NICE TO NICE PEOPLE IS INDEED EASY.

THERE IS ONLY A SHORT TIME TO CHRISTMAS, AND AS A HELP TO THOSE WHO ARE MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR THIS GREAT DAY WE ARE TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SOME TIMELY SUGGESTIONS:

Fruits	Nuts	Vegetables
Extra Fine Malaga Grapes Red Emperor Grapes Laver Figs Locume Figs Dromedary Dates Dates in Bulk	Calif. Soft Shelled Almonds Calif. Soft Shelled Walnuts Brazil Nuts Sweet Walnuts	Spanish Onions Parsnips Parsley Sweet Potatoes
Arizona Oranges Florida Oranges Florida Tangerines Florida Grapefruit California Lemons Bananas	Filberts Mixed Nuts, 20c lb. up.	Sweet and Sour Pickles Stuffed and Plain Olives Horse Radish Welch's Grape Juice

Our stock of Chocolates and Hard Candies is as complete as can be found in town and the quality and price cannot be surpassed.
We have Chocolates in Boxes and in Fancy Boxes also.
Schrafft's Blue Banner Chocolates at 45c per lb.
Kibbe's Assorted (extra fine quality) Chocolates at 25c per lb.
Kibbe's 40c Vanilla Creams at 25c per lb.
(All This Week)

We have also made for this Christmas one of the best Peanut Brittles in town and at a price that will attract you. Our stock of Ribbon Candies can't be excelled, in 1 or 2 lb. boxes. These together with Cut Rock Candy, Hard Candies, and many other candies afford an excellent opportunity for the Christmas celebration.

It is more profitable to retain an old customer than to look for a new one. If your treatment at our hands is not perfectly satisfactory, let us know and we will correct it. If it is satisfactory give us the pleasure of serving you again.

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